

# The Herald and News

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It is stated that the prohibition bill that is to pass congress will prevent the keeping or making of even a gallon of blackberry wine by our house wives. Now if they will just say that we shall not even eat and not drink any of the cold concoctions, the thing will be getting where it should.

And yet strange to say with all of these "thou shalt not" laws we are having a wave of crime all over the country such as was never heard of before. Gov. Cooper says a homicide in South Carolina for every day in the year. Why not prohibit the use of pistols and guns and bowie knives.

We are sending statements to all subscribers on our list whose time has expired, and to those whose time will expire up to September 1. If you get a statement and the time is not out just remember that it is to remind you that it will expire by the first of September.

All who pay between this date and the first of September may get another year at the old rate of \$1.50, and this applies to any subscriber on our list, or to any one who may desire to have his name put on before the first of September. After that date the paper will be \$2.00 to all subscribers. Do not put off renewing or sending in your subscription too long, or you may overlook it. After September 1, we will take off all who have not paid. This is final date.

The Columbia road from Prosperity to Chapin is said to be almost impassable. The contractor on the new road from Prosperity to Little Mountain has of necessity to plow up the road in the grading and surfacing and during this rainy season it makes bad for travel. When it is completed we will have a fine section of road, but the trouble is there will be so little of it.

While at Prosperity on Wednesday we were told that the only way now to get to Columbia in any sort of comfort was to go down by the Warner place and the Swilston school house and at Mr. Henry Wheeler's old place take the road out to Chapin that has been put in fairly good condition by Dr. J. S. Wheeler and those who are running a saw mill at that place and delivering lumber at Chapin. And they say that the distance is very little further.

The Herald and News will be mighty glad to see that portion of Lexington county that has been surveyed and about which Mr. W. M. Wilson wrote in the last issue come into Newberry. It is a fine section of country and has a fine citizenship and will be a good addition to Newberry.

Mr. Wilson says the vote will be unanimous and that is good and we will welcome them most heartily.

We hope the election will be ordered soon so that we may get these good people with us this year.

When this section gets in then Chapin will come and it will be better and more convenient for all of them to get to the court house, because the trains run direct to Newberry and they can come on the train and back the same day.

There is no more important matter to have the attention of the citizens than the betterment and the improvement of the schools of the community. The physical equipment of our schools needs to be enlarged and improved and there should be no one to say nay, and we do not believe that any one will object to carrying out the plans and suggestions of the special committee appointed to look over the situation and make recommendations, when he comes to see and understand the situation and the needs.

The education of the child can not wait. You must provide it before the years come on and while the child is at the age to receive it.

There should be an overflow meeting of the citizens at the meeting called for next Wednesday to consider this matter. And as the ladies are invited we hope to see every mother who has children to educate present and ready to give encouragement and help to this vital matter. Show the men that you are interested in the welfare of your child. And that you recognize that the child has rights, and one of these is to have the very best advantages possible to make him a good and useful citizen.

Silver Brook cemetery is growing more beautiful each summer. The trees have reached the size where there is no more danger of them dy-

ing and in a year or two the city of the dead will be one of the shadiest spots in the city. Keeper Smith is the right man in the right place and the neat appearance of the walks and surroundings is due to his untiring efforts to make the silent city attractive.

No, no, dear friend, that does not refer to our own Rosemont. There is not a mistake in the name. Silver Brook is in Anderson and the clipping is from the Anderson Tribune. We are just printing it to let you read about how they keep their cemetery over in Anderson, and we could tell you a whole lot about how they keep the cemeteries in other places, but our trustees are very sensitive and they would go right out and say that we were knocking Newberry, when as a matter of fact, bless your dear soul, the record will bear out the statement that we have done more to defend old Newberry and her people, and to boost her and her, than any dozen or two of the big millionaires of the town or the little ones either.

But now, honest, don't you agree with us that it is a crying shame that we would let our own beautiful located Rosemont remain in such condition as you can find it right now. If you don't believe us just get in your limousine and take a run over and look at it for yourself.

Rosemont cemetery is growing more and more deserted and neglected looking every day, and if there is a keeper he must keep all to himself, for there is nothing to indicate that he is untiring in his efforts to make the silent city attractive. No, that all has reference to Silver Brook over in Anderson and to Keeper Smith of the Silver Brook cemetery, and not Rosemont. But maybe some day our trustees will devise some plan by which even the owners of lots and those who have dear ones sleeping there may be able to be permitted to do something. Even if one person should keep his lot well the roadways are bad and the grass and the weeds and neglect of other lots mars the beauty of the whole.

We are not knocking, we are simply trying to beg that the trustees of Rosemont will fall upon some plan by which the entire place may be kept as it should be.

## DEATH IN THE ROAD.

The accident which brought an untimely end to Mr. A. Leroy Bethea of Dillon, yesterday, is one which may be the fate of almost any one who uses the roads of the State today. Automobiles driven by reckless, careless and heartless people dash up and down our highways with little heed to what is before them. State traffic laws, such as they are, are disregarded and there is a meanness about some drivers which, even though they do one no harm, is most despicable and arouses the deepest sort of resentment. It is the common report of travelers that along the mountain roads, some drivers of cars running their machines at forty miles the hour and faster, do not give any road at all but force all whom they meet to give them all the right of way.

There must be some drastic regulations and some real effort to enforce them both in towns and in the country. There is plenty of room and plenty of time for every family in this State to enjoy automobile driving on the roads of the State and it is not necessary to monopolize the roads or to endanger the lives and property of others in doing so.—The Greenwood Index-Journal.

This was clipped from the Index-Journal several weeks ago, but it is still true, and there have been many accidents to the credit of the auto since Mr. Bethea met his death in the road.

There can be no doubt that there will have to be some very drastic laws on the subject of the road, and they must be enforced, if we are to be able to travel the road with a feeling of any degree of safety. It is a pity that we have to pass laws and try to enforce them on a matter of this kind. It would seem that the ordinary rules of human conduct and the proper regard for the rights of others would dictate the care which we should all take in driving the road.

It is too true that there are many people who are now driving the road who seem to have absolutely no regard for the rights of the other fellow in the road, and even little regard for their own safety.

It is going to be a very difficult matter to enforce any law of the road unless we have a regular standing army of officers for that purpose, unless the drivers themselves have some regard for the proper amenities of life. Even in the town where we have regular police officers, it is very difficult to enforce any road regulations. For instance, the law says keep to the right, but in this town how many do you see who have any regard for the law. This is not a town ordinance but a State law, and should be a city ordinance.

If every one only observe

that golden rule about which we have been writing the entire problem would be solved, but that day we fear is afar off.

## DEATH LAYS HAND ON MR. RAGSDALE.

South Carolina Delegation Dissatisfied With Statement of Physicians and Coroner.

P. H. McGowan in The State.

Washington, July 23.—J. Willard Ragsdale, representative in congress from Sixth South Carolina district, died here suddenly today just before noon. Those attending him at his death were: Dr. J. Arthur Hooe, Dr. H. H. Hareen and Dr. Doorman. For several days Mr. Ragsdale had been under treatment but was not considered seriously ill. He was at the capitol yesterday and voted on the prohibition bill. His death occurred at Dr. Hooe's office.

Early this morning Mr. Ragsdale sent for his physicians and the report they made this afternoon was that just before noon he died of acute heart disease, going to the physicians' office for treatment.

Although not apparently suffering from ill health in any way and about his usual business yesterday, Mr. Ragsdale was said by his physicians not to have been in robust health for some time. Mrs. Ragsdale is at their home at Florence. Mr. Ragsdale also leaves James W. Ragsdale, Jr., about 18 years of age, and a daughter about 14 years of age.

## House Adjourns.

Immediately upon the announcement of Mr. Ragsdale's death like a flash, the members of the South Carolina delegation in congress got together. Representative Byrnes made the statement to the house that Mr. Ragsdale had died. The house then adjourned out of respect to his memory.

The remains were taken to an undertaking establishment and Coroner Nevitt held an inquest, after which the body was prepared to be taken to Florence, where the burial will take place Friday afternoon.

The funeral train, bearing the members of the South Carolina delegation and a special committee from the house and senate, will leave Washington tomorrow night at 9:00 o'clock over the Atlantic Coast Line, arriving at Florence early Friday morning. The burial will take place Friday and the party will reach Washington Saturday morning on its return trip.

The committees have not been fully announced yet, but will be selected when the house and senate meet tomorrow.

Senator Smith made the announcement of Mr. Ragsdale's death in the upper house, and Vice President Marshall appointed a committee to attend the funeral composed of Senators Smith and Dial of South Carolina, Ashurst of Arizona, Beckham of Kentucky, Harrison of Mississippi, Fernald of Maine, Spencer of Missouri, Sterling of South Dakota and Southerland of West Virginia.

A resolution expressing sympathy with the family was introduced by Senator Smith and adopted.

## Delegation to Probe Death.

The members of the South Carolina delegation will probe Mr. Ragsdale's sudden death. They said today, after a conference at Mr. Brynes' office, that they were far from satisfied either with the statement of the physicians or with the report of the coroner, who rendered a verdict of death from "natural causes," or acute heart dilation.

Tonight a meeting of the delegation was held and a committee was appointed to see both the physicians who were with him when he died and the coroner who held the inquest and autopsy. They expect to go to the bottom of the matter.

Many telegrams of sympathy were sent Mrs. Ragsdale this afternoon by numerous friends in Washington.

The funeral train to Florence will be in charge of sergeants at arms of the senate and of the house, respectively, and will bear floral tokens of various kinds from friends and persons in official life.

Governor Cooper, it is understood, will call a special election to be held some time in September to fill the vacancy in the Sixth district.

## REUNION AT DELMAR.

Newberry College Graduates and Students Meet for the Day.

The State.

Saluda, July 23.—The annual reunion of the graduates and students of Newberry and Sumnerland colleges will be held at Delmar, this county, Friday. This reunion always draws a large crowd and it is believed that this year will not prove an exception. Dr. S. J. Derrick, Dr. Geo. B. Cromer, Col. E. H. Aull, Judge C. J. Ramage, B. B. Hare, Frank Black, the Rev. George S. Bearden and other well known men will be present and make addresses.

## McKISSICK'S UNIFORM

FOUND IN BRUSSELS.

Gorgeous Raiment of Colonel of Governor's Staff Adorns Back of Hotel Doorman.

The State.

Greenville, July 12.—Col. J. Rion McKissick, formerly a member of Governor Manning's staff, one of the genial hosts at the recent press convention here, has just made a novel discovery of the whereabouts of a gorgeous uniform which he wore when the governor's staff was called upon to lend dignity to numerous public affairs. The discovery is another proof of "it pays to advertise," though Colonel McKissick in this case was not the advertiser, and, as it developed, was not bent upon tracing his uniform. He had forgotten all about it, as a matter of fact, until the other day he read a Columbia story to the effect that an army officer who had just returned from overseas declared that he saw the doorman at one of the big hotels in Brussels wearing a uniform that was once worn by a member of the staff of a governor of South Carolina.

The officer said he was at the hotel in Brussels one day when his attention was attracted to the uniform worn by the doorman. It looked strangely familiar, being a brilliant navy blue with a quantity of gold braid across the front and shoulders, and having the initials "S. C." on the collar. Upon closer inspection he found that every one of the dozen or more shiny brass buttons on the coat was adorned by the familiar palmetto tree.

The doorman did not speak English, so the officer hunted around until he found an interpreter and then began to make inquiries. According to the story which he was able to piece together, some time last year there was a drive in the United States for second hand clothing for the benefit of the Belgians and this gorgeous uniform, once the pride of some member of a governor's staff, was in one of the boxes of clothing received at Brussels.

The hotel doorman had secured the uniform and, having it cut down to fit, had donned it and had worn it ever since. The doorman was immensely proud of the uniform and firmly believed that it belonged to a field marshal of the American army, long since deceased, and that his family, out of their generosity, had donated it to the Belgians. There was nothing about the uniform that would identify the original owner, the officer said.

Colonel McKissick happened to read the story and casually commented that he was satisfied the uniform seen in Brussels was once his. He turned in his uniform with some other clothing when a collection of garments was made at Camp Sevier last year for the relief of the Belgians. At that time the Greenville newspaper man was preparing to enter the military service and he thought he would have no further use for his gold braided, navy blue uniform. It was dumped into the mound of clothing at Camp Sevier and shipped across the water. A year elapsed, and the news now comes that the gorgeous uniform has gladdened the heart of a hotel doorman in Belgium.

## Cracker Fund for Parrot.

New York Tribune.

Full permission to administer a "cracker fund to the best of your skill and ability," was granted by Judge Richard Doherty in Jersey City to Henry Condict, senior member of the law firm of Condict, Boardman & Condict, executors of the estate of the late Mrs. Phoebe Griffith, who died a year ago and left a trust fund of \$1,500 for a parrot named "Ethel."

The "cracker fund" as Judge Doherty called it, had caused the executors of the estate considerable worry. The bird is very healthy, and Judge Doherty found on consulting the highest authorities on parrots that these creatures generally are long lived. But the \$1,500 will maintain Ethel in luxury for some little time to come.

## CITIZENS MEETING CALLED FOR NEXT WEDNESDAY.

In accordance with a resolution of the citizens meeting to hear the annual report of the trustees of the Newberry schools an adjourned meeting is hereby called to be held in the court house Wednesday afternoon at 7:30 o'clock, July 30, 1919, to hear the report of the committee appointed to make recommendations to this adjourned meeting. As this matter relates to the betterment of the schools the ladies are requested to meet with the citizens and take part in the meeting. In accordance with the resolution the report of this special committee is printed in the town papers and every citizen is asked to read and study this report before the meeting next Wednesday.

John C. Goggans, Chairman.

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Newberry, S. C.

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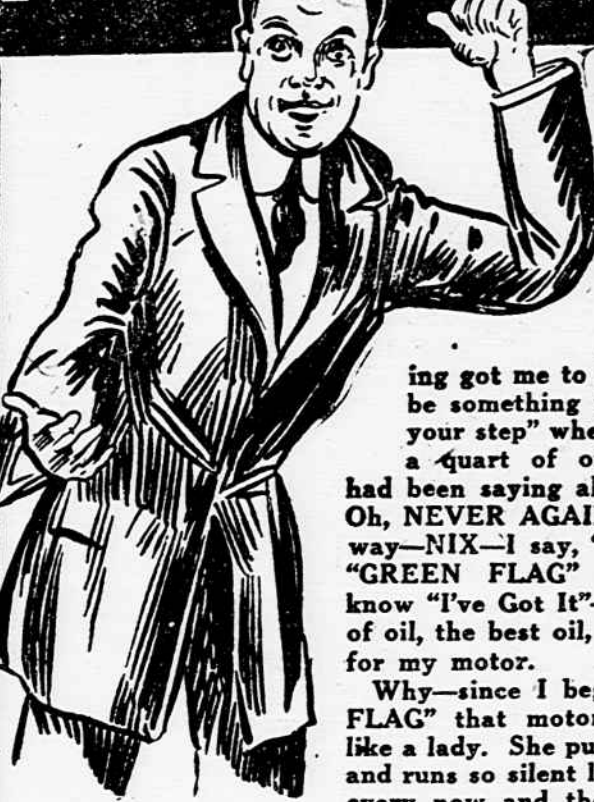
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Newberry, S. C.

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I was just like a lot of other "boobs" who never paid any attention to what sort of oil was being put in the crank case, but the "GREEN FLAG" advertisement

ing got me to thinking there must be something in it and to "watch your step" when you say, "give me a quart of oil"—That's what I had been saying all along—but now—Oh, NEVER AGAIN—do I say it that way—NIX—I say, "give me a quart of 'GREEN FLAG' Oil!" and then I know "I've Got It"—got the right sort of oil, the best oil, and the right body for my motor.

Why—since I began using "GREEN FLAG" that motor of mine behaves like a lady. She purrs like a pussy cat, and runs so silent like, I have to listen every now and then to believe she's running at all.

Now I know what the real joy of driving a car really means. "GREEN FLAG" Oil has sure waked me up to just what a vital thing the right sort of motor oil is in the SERVICE, POWER and COMFORT of driving a car.

There are several live dealers in this county who sell "GREEN FLAG" Motor Oil, well known, reliable folks; and I would drive twenty miles out of my way to get "GREEN FLAG" if it were necessary to do so.

Their names are listed in this little "burst of enthusiasm."

BAKER & OXNER, Newberry, S. C.  
CENTRAL GARAGE, Prosperity, S. C.

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## Discouraging Pedantry.

Everybody's Magazine.

A professor at Princeton is a foe to the purist and pedant. He who insists on saying, "Tomorrow will be Tuesday," gets no encouragement from this scholar.

On one occasion while on vacation, the professor gazed out across the

lake one gray and sultry afternoon and remarked.

"It looks like rain."

A purist was rocking in a chair near by.

"What looks like rain, professor?" he chuckled. "I've got you there. What looks like rain?"

"Water," answered the professor, coldly.